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William R. Moyle, et al.  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.136(a)

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action, dated April 6, 2007, in the above identified patent application for three months from July 6, 2007 up to and including October 9, 2007 (taking into account weekend days and a federal holiday).

In lieu of a reply to the Office Action, the Applicant has filed a continuing application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 501365 for a three month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(3). The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 501365 for any additional charges in connection with this response. A duplicate copy of the Petition is submitted herewith.

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